IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of:)	
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	: Group Art Unit: 26	525
Application No.: 10/656,103)	
	: Confirmation No.:	7041
Filed: September 8, 2003)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND)	
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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

An Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanied the Notice of Allowability mailed September 13, 2010.

The Statement identified claim language which was not taught or suggested in the prior art. Applicant respectfully wishes to point out, however, that the identified claim language is present in independent Claims 25, 44 and 53, but is not present in Claims 30, 49 and 54.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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